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Sent via UPS

September 27, 2012

Janet Pellegrini
Environmental Scientist
USEPA Region 5, Water Division, NPDES Branch
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RE: Peabody Midwest Mining, LLC – Bear Run Mine
Request for Information Pursuant to Section 308 of the Clean Water Act
Effluent Sampling Data Report for August 2012

Dear Ms. Pellegrini:

Information comprising the August Effluent Sampling Data Report is attached and consists of the following:

1. Monthly rainfall record as measured at the Bear Run office
2. Laboratory analyses sheets for collected samples
3. Chain of custody for collected samples

The approved effluent sampling plan requires one base flow (dry weather) condition sample and one precipitation (wet weather) condition sample per month, dependent on precipitation and discharge conditions. Continued low pool levels present in the sediment basins from extremely low precipitation in May, June and July resulted in no dry weather flows from outfalls 03R, 18R, 044, 058 and 062. A dry weather flow at outfall 053 due to pit dewatering from previous mining operations was sampled on August 15th and a wet weather flow was sampled on August 27th. There were no precipitation events recorded in August sufficient to cause a wet weather discharge or flow from outfalls 03R, 18R, 044, 058 and 062.

Please contact me at 812-434-8593 or smcgarvie@peabodyenergy.com with any questions.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Scott McGarvie", written over a horizontal line.

Scott McGarvie
Authorized Representative

Attachments

c: Bear Run Mine